

Looking back on 20 years of modelling jet quenching

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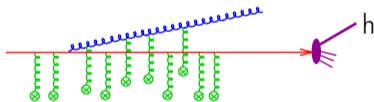
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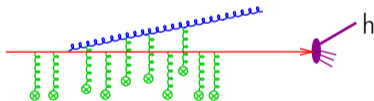


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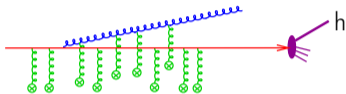


- ▶ and in Heidelberg a young physicist finishes her Master and together with her supervisor think about a PhD project.



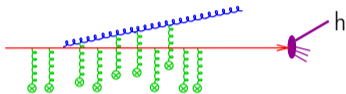
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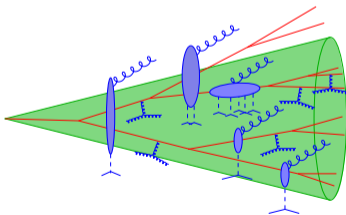


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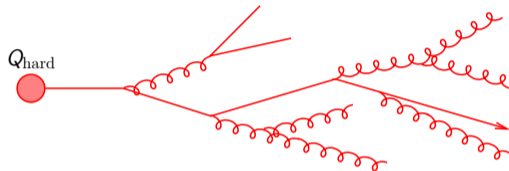


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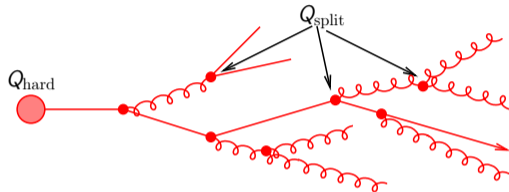


⇒ We need a model for this!

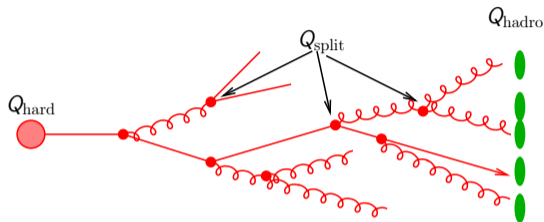
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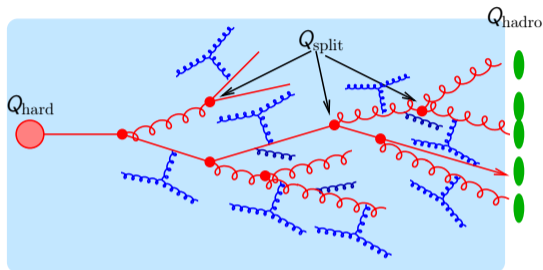


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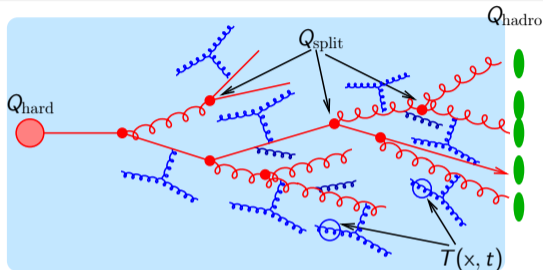
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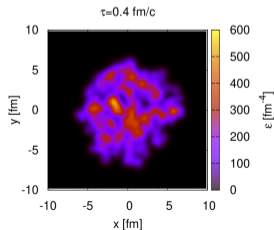


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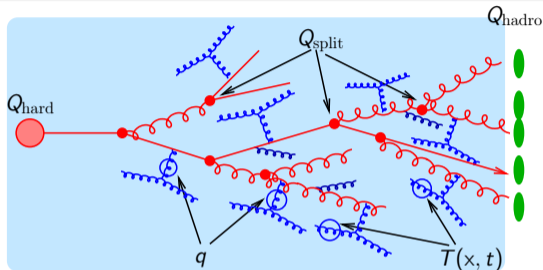
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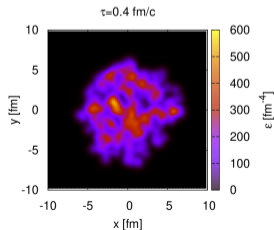
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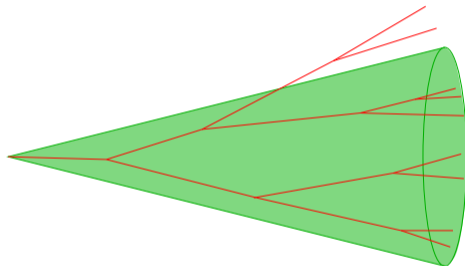
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Is it worth the effort?

- ▶ jets are a “calibrated” probe: well understood in $p+p$

fixed order matrix elements + resummation (parton showers)



- ▶ jet quenching allows to observe *process of equilibration*

soft observables see *result of equilibration*

- ▶ jets carry information about spacial and temporal structure of medium
- ▶ jets give access to *scale dependence* of medium properties

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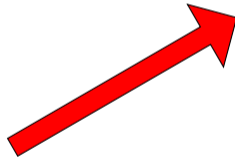
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JEWEL: Basic idea and assumptions

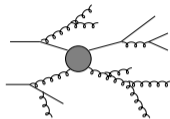
Starting point

- ▶ complexity of problem asks for **Monte Carlo event generator**
- ▶ consistent **dynamical** model of jet evolution in medium
- ▶ anchored in **analytical understanding** of pQCD

Assumptions

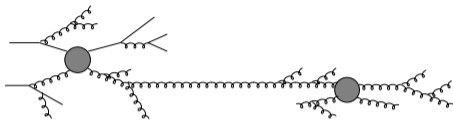
1. medium as seen by jet: **collection** of **quasi-free partons**
2. use **infra-red continued perturbation theory** to describe **all** jet-medium **interactions**
3. **formation times** govern the **interplay** of different sources of radiation
4. use results from **eikonal limit** to include **LPM-effect**

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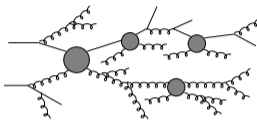
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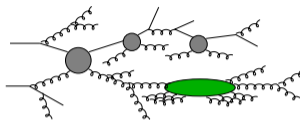
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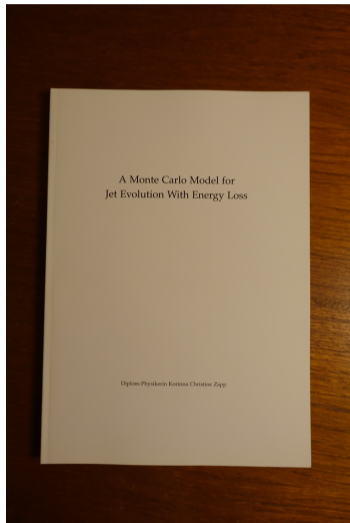
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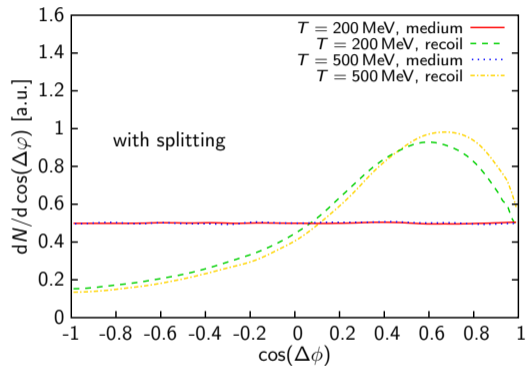
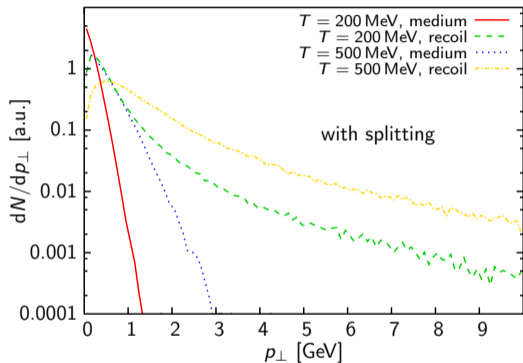
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- ▶ **LPM interference**
 - ▶ also governed by formation times
 - ▶ **without** kinematic **restrictions**

Zapp, Stachel, Wiedemann, JHEP 1107 (2011) 118

Three years later...



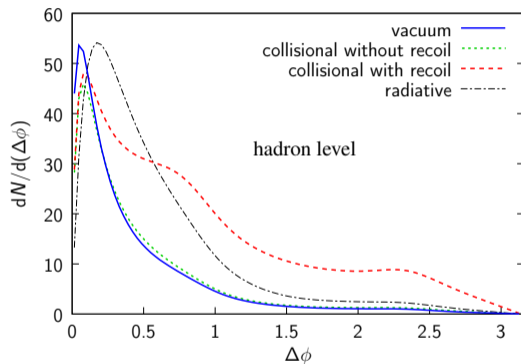
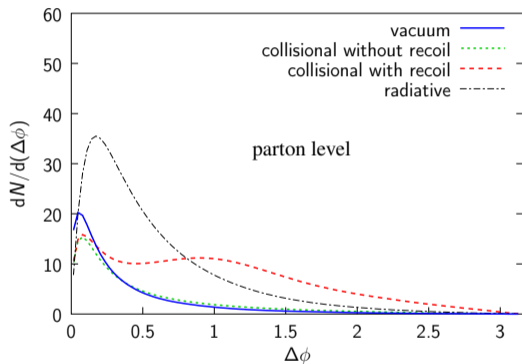
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Zapp, Ingelman, Rathsmann, Stachel, Wiedemann, Eur. Phys. J. C 60, 617 (2009)

- ▶ medium response before there was medium response
- ▶ relativ angle almost independent of temperature

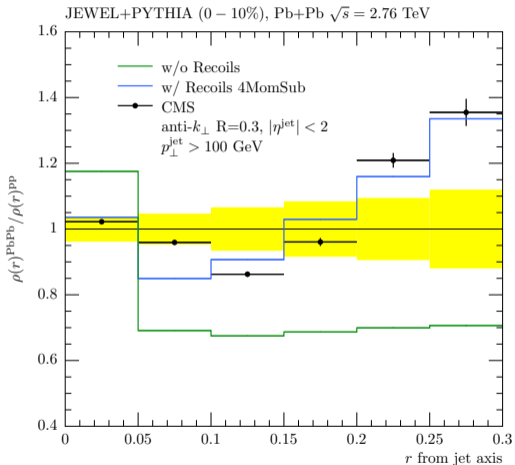
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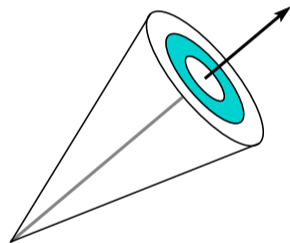
- enhancement of fragments around jets out to large angles

Some years later: the jet profile is measured



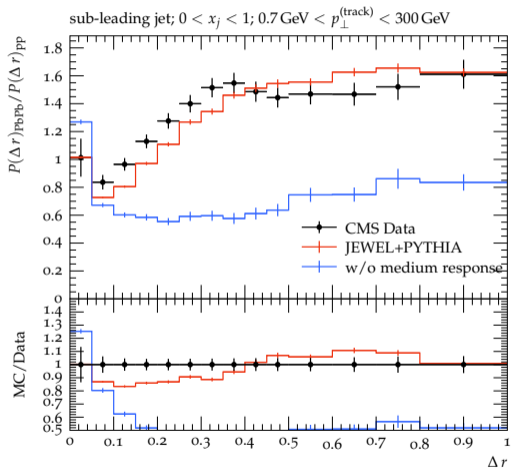
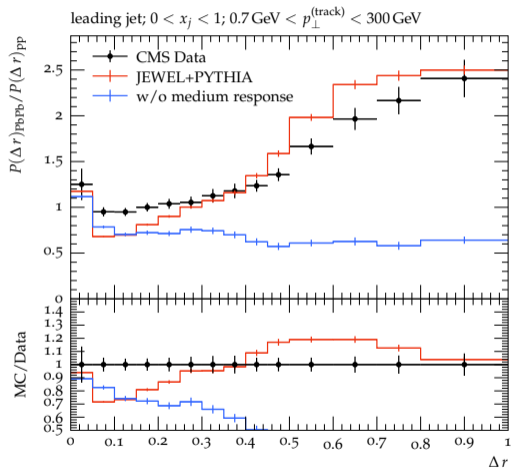
CMS, Phys. Lett. B 730 (2014) 243

Kunnawalkam Elayavalli, Zapp, JHEP 1707 (2017) 141



- fraction of jet p_{\perp} contained in annulus at distance r from jet axis

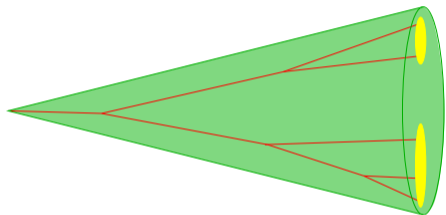
Jet-hadron correlations today



CMS, JHEP 05 (2021), 116 [arXiv:2101.04720]

Identifying hard structures inside jets: SoftDrop

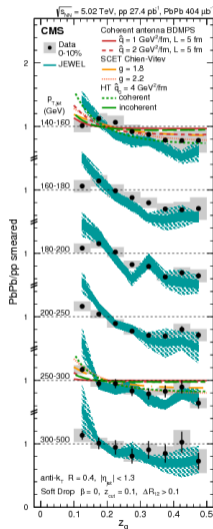
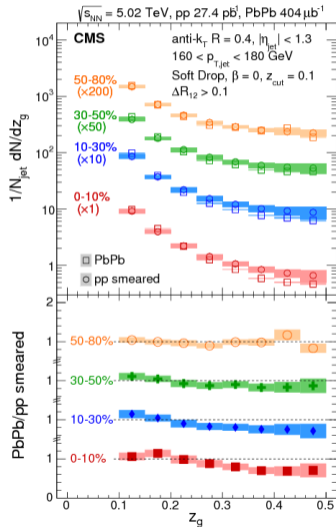
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A. J. Larkoski, S. Marzani, G. Soyez, J. Thaler, JHEP 1405 (2014) 146



- ▶ SoftDrop procedure: identifies **hard 2-prong structure** inside a jet
- ▶ **removes** soft large angle particles mostly coming from **background**

- ▶ walk backwards through the jet clustering sequence
- ▶ stop when momentum sharing $z_g = \frac{\min(p_{\perp,1}, p_{\perp,2})}{p_{\perp,1} + p_{\perp,2}} > z_{\text{cut}}$
- ▶ at LO: $p(z_g) \propto P(z_g) + P(1 - z_g) \rightarrow$ proportional to splitting function

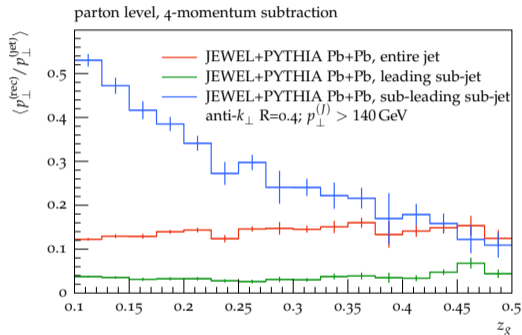
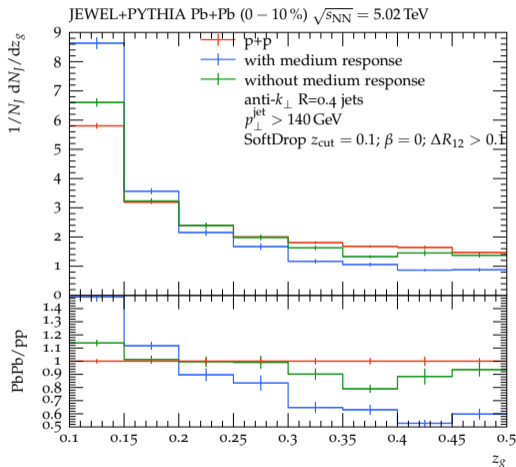
Measuring the splitting function?



CMS, Phys. Rev. Lett. 120 (2018) no.14, 142302

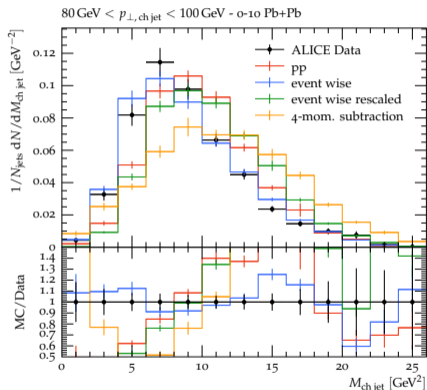
- ▶ suppression of symmetric splittings
- ▶ JEWEL describes this nicely
- ▶ but without a modified splitting function!

What is going on here?



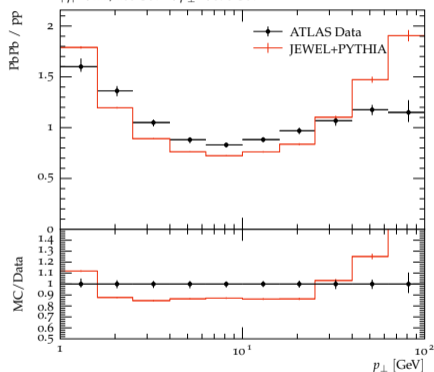
- ▶ medium response promotes sub-leading sub-jets above z_{cut}

Improving the subtraction procedure



ALICE, Phys. Lett. B 776 (2018), 249-264

Milhano, Zapp, Eur. Phys. J. C 82 (2022) no.11, 1010 [2207.14814]
 $|\eta| < 2.1; 100 \text{ GeV} < p_{\perp} < 398 \text{ GeV}$



ATLAS, Eur. Phys. J. C 77 (2017) no.6, 379

- ▶ thermal momentum of recoils part of background → has to be subtracted
- ▶ more robust and flexible procedure implemented allows to calculate IRC-unsafe observables

Looking ahead

Open questions

- ▶ To what extent is medium response thermalised?
- ▶ How much of the large Δr enhancement is due to medium induced radiation?
- ▶ Is the wake hydrodynamic response or momentum conservation?

Other jetty questions

- ▶ When and how is colour coherence lost?
 - ▶ At which scale are quasiparticles in the QGP resolved?
 - ▶ What is going on in small systems?
- no answer without understanding of medium response



Thank you!



Medium's response to energy deposited by jets

- ▶ common assumption: immediate thermalisation
- ▶ JEWEL: three options

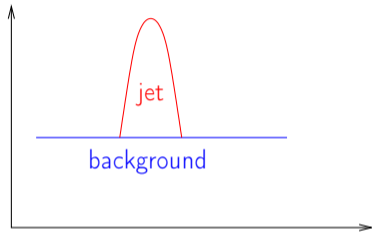


1. ignore recoiling thermal partons
2. extract source term for hydrodynamic description of medium
3. include recoiling partons
 - ▶ recoiling partons becomes colour neighbour of hard parton
 - ▶ recoiling partons do not re-interact
 - ▶ have so subtract thermal component of recoil momentum

Flörchinger, Zapp, EPJC 74 (2014) no. 12, 3189

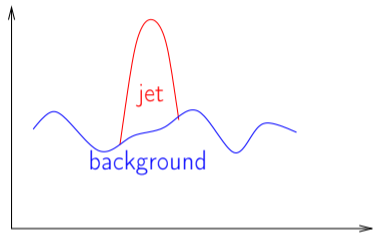
other limiting case

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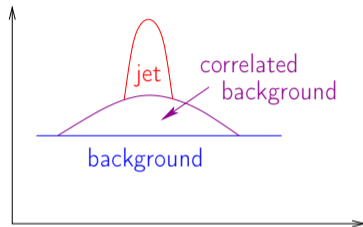
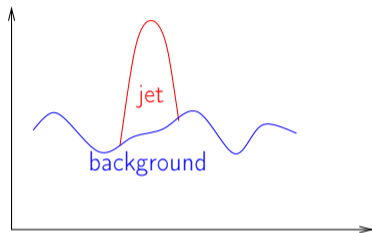
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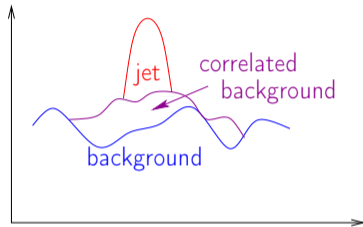
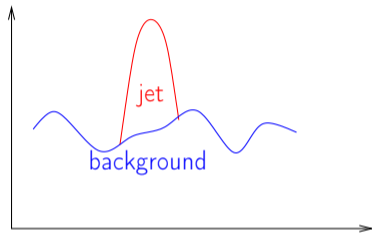
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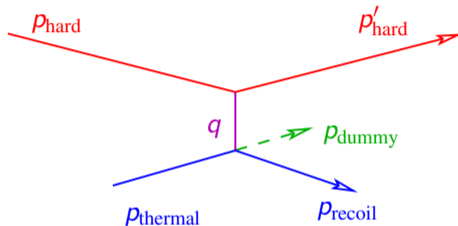
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- ▶ finally: also fluctuations in correlated part of background matter

Background subtraction in A+A – general considerations

- ▶ experimentally: background subtraction absolutely necessary
- ▶ what would be there without the jet should be subtracted
- ▶ correlated background component should stay
- ▶ for fair theory–data comparison:
 procedure on theory side as close to experimental one as possible
- ▶ but: JEWEL only simulates jets, no full events
- ▶ have to implement procedure that equals experimental one in spirit
- ▶ keep the recoils, but subtract incoming thermal momenta

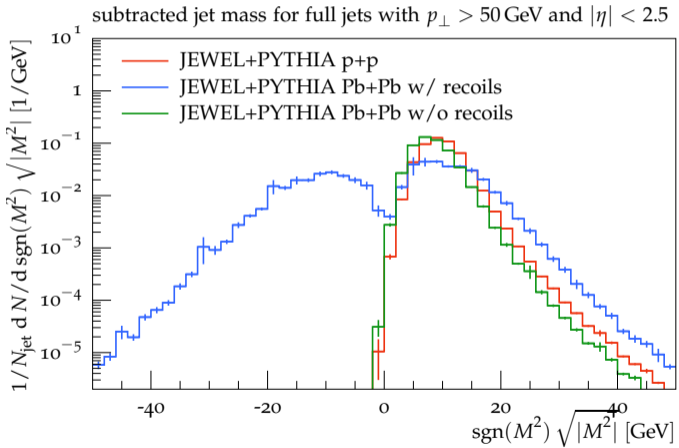
Background subtraction in JEWEL

- ▶ old method: 4-momentum subtraction

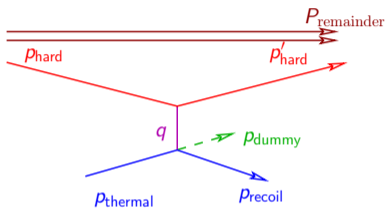


- ▶ for each thermal momentum add dummy momentum with very small energy to event
- ▶ for each dummy in jet subtract corresponding thermal 4-momentum from jet 4-momentum
- ▶ works fine for IRC safe observables
- ▶ for jet sub-structure: may have to do it iteratively
- ▶ one observable problematic: jet mass

4-momentum subtraction: jet mass



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$$P_{\text{jet}} = P_{\text{remainder}} + p'_{\text{hard}} + p_{\text{recoil}} - p_{\text{thermal}} = P_{\text{remainder}} + p'_{\text{hard}} - q$$

if p'_{hard} ends up outside the jet cone

not all that unlikely

$$P_{\text{jet}} = P_{\text{remainder}} + p'_{\text{hard}} - q$$

$$M_{\text{jet}}^2 = (P_{\text{remainder}} - q)^2 = M_{\text{remainder}}^2 + \hat{t} - 2qP_{\text{remainder}}$$

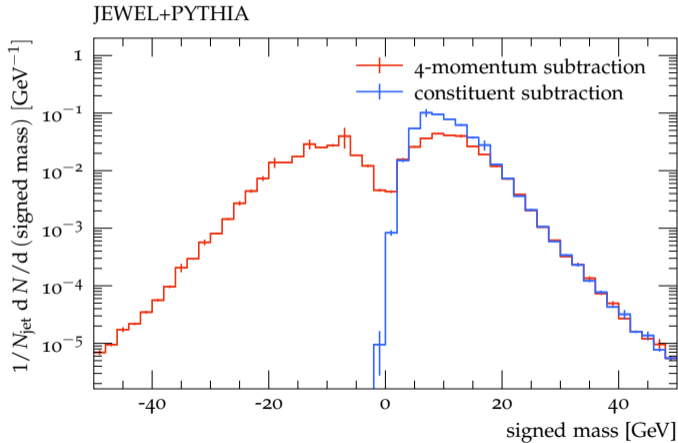
A better choice: constituent subtraction

Berta, Spousta, Miller, Leitner, JHEP 06 (2014), 092 [arXiv:1403.3108]

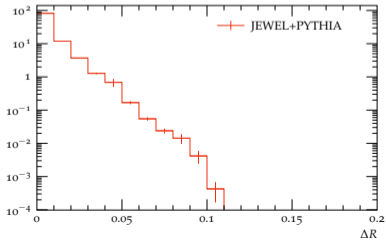
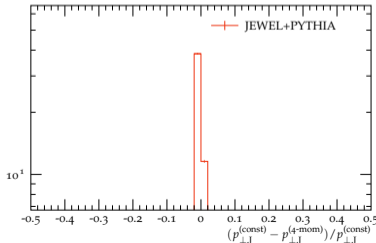
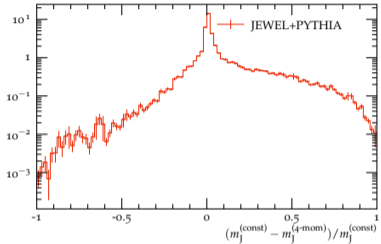
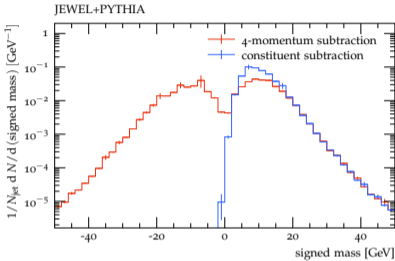
The algorithm

1. write all 4-momenta as $p = ((m_\delta + p_\perp) \cosh y, p_\perp \cos \phi, p_\perp \sin \phi, (m_\delta + p_\perp) \sinh y)$
2. form all pairs of a particle momentum and a thermal momentum, sort by ΔR
3. go through ordered list of pairs, for each pair:
 - ▶ subtract smaller from larger p_\perp , set smaller p_\perp to zero
 - ▶ subtract smaller from larger m_δ , set smaller m_δ to zero
4. remove all momenta with zero p_\perp

Constituent subtraction: jet mass

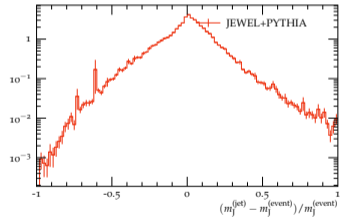
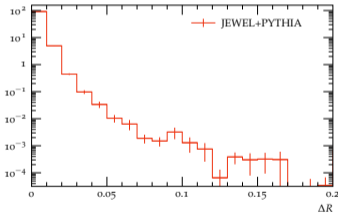
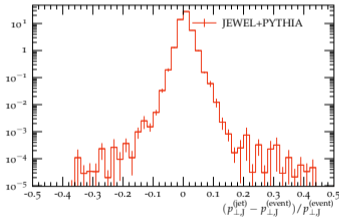


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Constituent subtraction: Some remarks

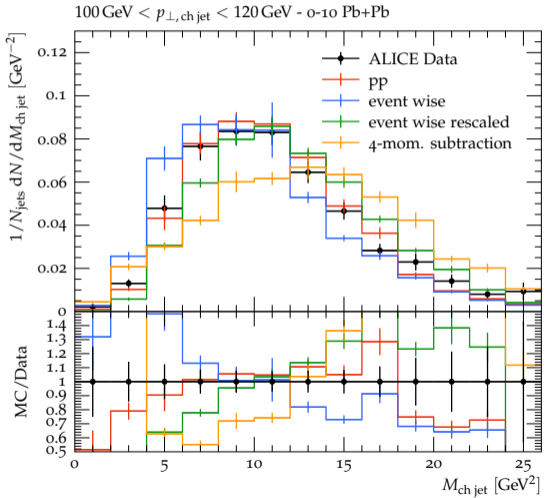
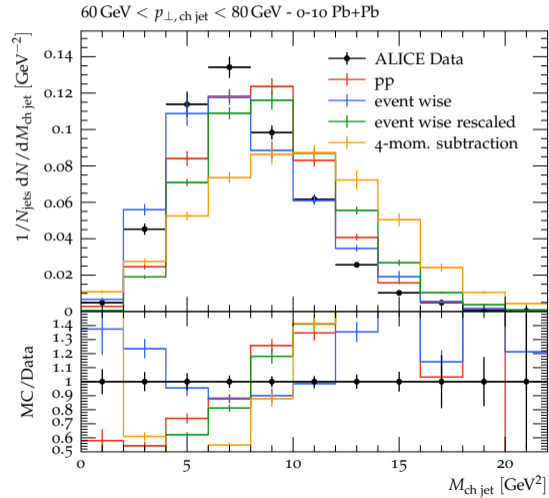
- ▶ squared mass remains positive by construction
- ▶ other observables don't change w.r.t. 4-momentum subtraction
- ▶ two possible workflows:
 1. first reconstruct jets, then subtract jet-wise
 2. first subtract event, then reconstruct jets



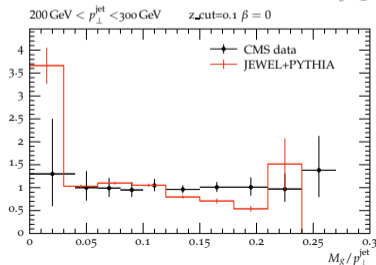
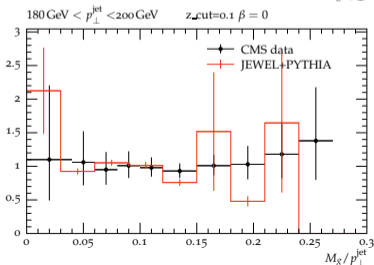
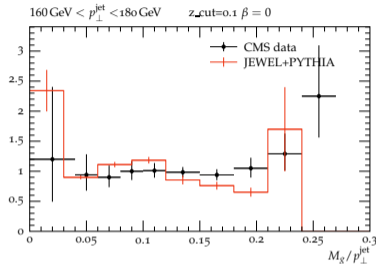
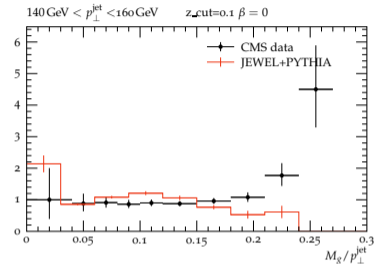
- ▶ inside jets all thermal momenta disappear
- ▶ can keep track of hadron flavour inside jets
- ▶ can calculate IRC unsafe observables

Constituent subtraction: jet mass

ALICE, Phys. Lett. B 776 (2018), 249-264 [arXiv:1702.00804]

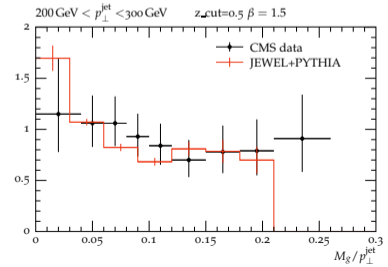
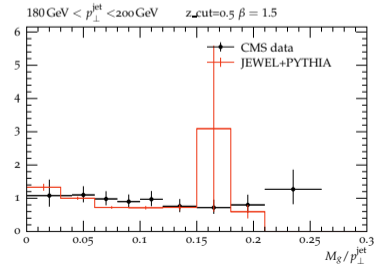
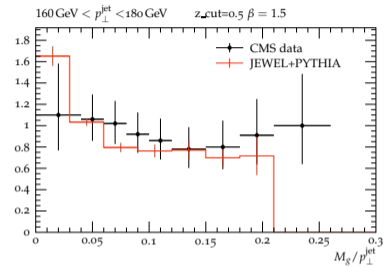
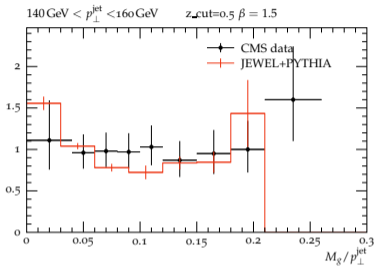


Constituent subtraction: groomed jet mass



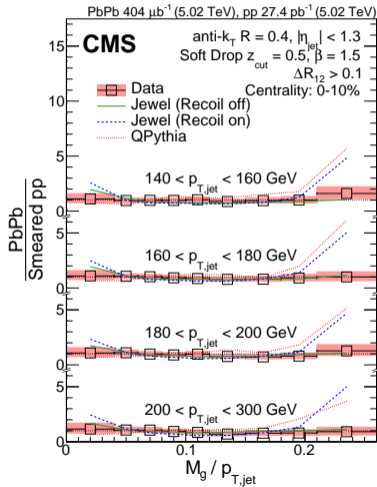
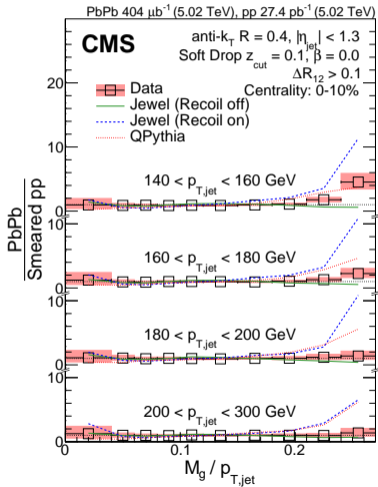
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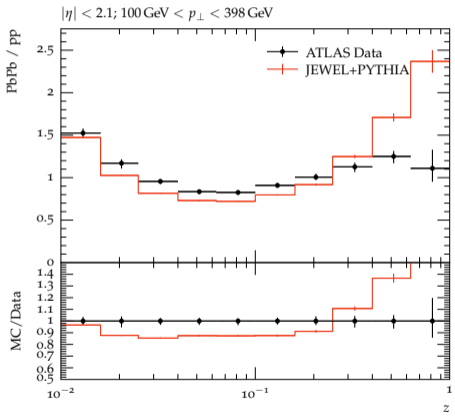
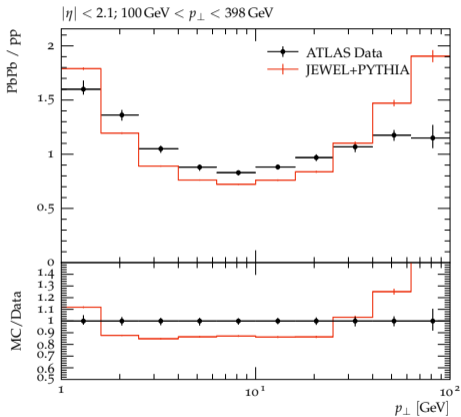
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Constituent subtraction: groomed jet mass



Constituent subtraction: jet fragmentation function

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► jet collimation effect too strong, but soft part not bad